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COMPONENTS BY FORMING CONDUCTIVE MEMBERS
USING SOLDER
(AS AMENDED)

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
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UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed with a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). Please amend the case as follows.

Amendments to the Drawings

Please substitute new formal drawings having improved line quality. Attached to this Amendment are six "Replacement" sheets numbered as sheets 1-6.